

We are open until 10 o'clock at night from now to Christmas, with PROFESSOR STEIN'S ORCHESTRA MUSIC, in order to add harmony and pleasure to the interest of night shopping.

## THE STORE IS FILLED WITH CHRISTMAS.

Every passageway brings you to new scenery of overcrowded holiday suggestions. It takes courage and confidence in public appreciation to make all this great house with its thousands and thousands of feet of floor space

## A HOLIDAY FORUM.

THE SALE OF MONDAY IS CONTINUED TO-DAY.

add their good will and service to those whom the rain of yesterday prevented from coming. Where aislesways are crowded you can facilitate progress by keeping to the right. When possible please take small packages with you from now to Christmas.

## THE ROYAL ROYALTY SILVER-PLATED WARE.

A mere hint of any store news now may mean much. THE ROYALTY SILVER-PLATED WARE means a winning hand such as our public has never experienced. New patterns to succeed the old of years past. And the prices! Read some of them—nearly all the best at goods:

Tablespoons, \$3.95 to \$4.75 a dozen. Berry Spoons, \$3.50 to \$4.25 a dozen. Sugar Shells and Butter Knives, 25c. Fancy Orange Spoons, \$3.50. Ice-Cream Servers, \$3.50. Butter Picks, 50c. Dessert Spoons, \$3.50 to \$4.25. Cream Ladles, 50c. Cold Meat Ladles, and Cake Forks, 50c. Soup Ladles, \$1.50 to \$1.85, and up to the hand-somest pieces at most astonishing prices. It seems painful, and shameful, too, to see

WRAPS AND DRESSES only made a few days ago to go at a slaughter price. To-day:

New, Handsome \$25 Ladies' Dresses, finest silk tulle, color lined, for \$16. Navy Camels-Hair Dresses, silk lined throughout, to be sold for \$12.50, from \$22.50.

Heavy Irish Ladies' Coats, best tailoring, in Tan or Gray, for \$20. Best silk lined Kersey Coats for \$15. Fancy Eldorado Dressing Scaques for \$8. Gowns, for \$18.00, etc.

A BLACK SILK BROCADE that would be cheap at \$1 a yard, for 65c.

Black Satin Duchess, \$1.25 best grade, for 90c., or one for \$1 from \$1.50. Fancy Plain Silks, newest \$1 ones, for 60c., and dozens of others.

All the best book publishers recognize this store as

THE BEST BOOK-STORE IN THE SOUTH. Their best publications find sale here. We make cut prices to give it the quickest selling and compensate for small profits:

15-volume sets of Dickens, in Red cloth binding, for \$3. 2-volume sets of Best Standard Fiction Choice of our \$1 Standard Books, to-day 35c., our 50c. ones for 25c.

Children's Board-Book Books, with stories and pictures, for 10c. Mother Goose, complete, for 10c. 600 volumes of Historical Books for 10c. Boys' bound in handsome cloth, decorated in gold, usual price \$1.25, your choice for the holidays 35c.

SPECIAL. Our 32 Teachers' Bibles, with references, maps, concordance, flexible leather back, covered edges, for \$1.25.

TEN HUNDRED UMBRELLAS a day to Christmas would not break our stock. Buying in such quantities is not easily price-beaten. See the holiday aristocracy and the belittled prices on them:

Ladies' Fine Silk, with Pearl, Silver, and Jeweled-Top Handle, \$2.50, for \$1.50. Sterling Silver deposit on Pearl, Pure Silk Umbrellas, \$3.50; their \$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00, \$0.50, \$0.25, \$0.10, \$0.05, \$0.02, \$0.01.

Men's \$10 Silver Deposit on French Men's \$10 Sterling Silver Trimmings, \$3.50. The usual best \$4.50 Men's Silk Umbrellas, sterling silver trimmings, for \$2.50. Ladies' or Men's Silk Trimmings, Close-Rolling, trimmed or fine plain handles, \$1 choice; values run up to \$2.25.

## THE COHEN CO.

DIDN'T PAY THE PREACHER. He Will Follow Them With His Blessings for His \$1-Other Cases.

Charles H. Clarke was charged in the temple of Justice John yesterday morning with detaining Fannie Smith, both being colored denizens of Jackson Ward. They had had the nuptial knot tied between them on Saturday, however, and nobody appeared against them yesterday except the preacher who had officiated at the knot-making proceedings, but who had not received the \$1 for services rendered, as allowed by the laws of this historic old Commonwealth. Justice John dismissed the case, of course, but told the preacher to follow them with his blessings until he had gotten his \$1.

Kate Robinson, Sophia Robinson, and Bessie Mitchell, colored girls, ranging in age from 9 to 12, were charged before Justice John yesterday morning with stealing a coat, a pair of pants, and a silver watch. Justice John thought they were too young to punish in any other way at the disposal of the court, so he ordered them to be whipped in the presence of the court. The court consisted only of the gentleman who would have been the beneficiary had they been fined.

The case of Thomas Rowe, charged with striking James Scott, was continued until to-morrow morning.

In the case of Ed. Johnson (colored), charged with carrying a concealed weapon, that weapon being a gun, the accused was fined the usual \$5.

In the case of Wm. J. Jones, a countryman charged with carrying a pistol, was not fined \$5, and was discharged.

CORRESPONDENCE PREPARATION. Richmond College Faculty to inaugurate a New Course of Study.

For those young men who desire to prepare themselves for a college training, but who are by virtue of poverty unable to attend academies or primary schools, the faculty of Richmond College have adopted a most unique plan, which they purpose putting into execution as soon as practicable, probably on January 1st. The plan is no more nor less than a correspondence course of study, and while the idea, as applied to post-graduate and professional instruction, is not new, its application to the needs of pupils who ought to be in some high school is a noteworthy departure.

Several weeks ago President Boatwright took the several academies in the State by storm, announcing the proposed correspondence plan of instruction, and assuring them beforehand that no opposition to them was intended. A copy of this letter is given here, and explains the plan and purpose of the new school of correspondence.

"In view of the fact that so large a proportion of the young men of Baptist families are not in secondary school or college, it is our opinion that some organized effort should be made to awaken in these and in other young men the desire for higher education, and to all them in securing college training. The president of Richmond College has on his mind these names of two thousand young men whose acquaintances have said they would be in college now, or within two

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## CALL MR. SWEENEY.

HE IS ASKED TO BECOME SEVENTH-STREET'S PASTOR.

## ACTION OF THE CHURCH UNANIMOUS.

The Recommendation of the Committee Received With Great Favor. Little Doubt of His Acceptance—Reception of Dr. Witherspoon.

Seventh-Street Christian church at the Sunday morning service extended a call to Rev. Zachary Taylor Sweeney, of Columbus, Ind., to fill the pulpit made vacant by the resignation a few months ago of the honored Dr. Jabez Hall.

The action of the church was hearty, unanimous, and enthusiastic. Sunday afternoon Rev. Mr. Sweeney was informed by telegraph of the action of the church, and now that body, and, in fact, the entire denomination in Richmond, looks forward to the distinguished gentleman's response with a great deal of interest.

Mr. Sweeney is not in Columbus just now, having run out of the city for a few days, and will not return until tomorrow. One of the first things he will

do on his return will be to acknowledge the call of the Richmond church, and he may at the same time announce his decision in the matter. It is the belief of the committee that he will accept the call. It is understood, in fact, that he has indicated to the committee that he will come to Richmond if the call were unanimous. This it certainly was.

HIS NAME PRESENTED. After the sermon Sunday morning, preached by Rev. L. A. Cutler, and the usual communion service, Mr. W. M. Hill, who was selected to make the report in the case of Dr. Sweeney, presented the name of Rev. J. B. Wilson, representing the Tuscaloosa (Alabama) Institute, preached at night, also a very able sermon. Dr. Wilson spoke at the morning service, and the Third Presbyterian church. He is here in the interest of his school, which is a theological seminary for colored ministers.

Sunday at Grove-Avenue. Sunday's services at Grove-Avenue Baptist church were of more than ordinary interest. The morning service, Dr. J. B. Wilson, representing the Tuscaloosa (Alabama) Institute, preached at night, also a very able sermon. Dr. Wilson spoke at the morning service, and the Third Presbyterian church. He is here in the interest of his school, which is a theological seminary for colored ministers.

Brief Notes from Other Churches. Rev. Thomas Needham, a successful evangelist, who has been engaged for several weeks in revival meetings, is here for a few days of rest, and will preach at the First Baptist church Sunday night, and the sermon was enjoyed by a large congregation. There was one conversion.

Dr. J. William Jones filled the pulpit at the First Baptist church Sunday morning, and Dr. J. R. Garlick at night. The congregations were good at both services, and the excellent sermons of the two well-known divines heard with great interest.

GEORGE E. ANDERSON FAILS. Liabilities, \$6,000—A Busy Day in the City Courts.

George E. Anderson, who has carried on the business of a grocer at 131 and 133 West Cary street, made an assignment yesterday for the benefit of his creditors, and appointed Mr. Willoughby Newton, trustee. The liabilities are estimated at \$6,000, and the assets consist of the goods and chattels in his two stores. The deed under which he has been carrying on his business was recorded in the Chancery Court of Henrico and in the County Court of Henrico.

The creditors are divided into four classes, as follows: First, All legal expenses, salaries of clerks and employees, and fees due Leake & Carter.

Second, Hill Carter and L. O. Wendenburg, \$50 for service rendered in a case pending in the Henrico Circuit Court.

Third, Notes held by the State Bank of Virginia, drawn and signed by George E. Anderson, aggregating the sum of \$5,214.73.

Fourth, All other creditors pro rata. The case of W. H. Hill against the city of Richmond, suit for damages to property by reason of the overflow of Shockoe creek, concerning which no interest has been manifested, will be given to the jury this morning in the Law and Equity Court.

Judgments were rendered in this court yesterday in the following cases: Frank E. Anderson against Loretta Small Ford for \$500.

United Order of True Reformers against John H. Smyth for \$10.18.

Julius White against the People's Relief Association for \$89.

Suits brought by motion, &c.: W. M. Parrish against J. S. Burke for \$192.57.

Turpin against Alfred Benson and B. W. Grubbs for \$184.

Wingo, Ellett & Crump Shoe Company against Abraham Weintraub for \$24.04.

Cashby Brothers Company against George E. Anderson for \$500.

The following judgments were rendered in the City Circuit Court: Lehigh Carriage Company against M. G. Sutherland, \$127.50.

Same against J. J. and M. G. Sutherland, \$106.21.

Richmond Perpetual Building and Loan Company against H. L. Carter, \$120.83.

W. W. Carson & Co. against McDowell & Ford, \$110.55.

Alexander Thompson, Jr., against George E. Crawford & Co., \$128.84.

Francis Kelly against H. S. Jennings, \$151.11.

Citizens' Bank against Charles E. and Stella Hagan Smith, \$10.69.

The Commonwealth of Virginia against E. W. Maxwell and others, \$6,450.47.

Same against E. W. Maxwell and others, \$283.

A number of coupon judgments were also rendered.

In the Hastings Court P. H. Martin was acquitted of the charge of burglary. He was defended by Messrs. George D. Wise, George P. Haw, and O. W. Wankburg.

The following marriage licenses were issued: E. Bernard Weymouth and Katie Smith, George R. Ellison and Maggie M. Woodworth.

To Report the Court Tea. "The Court Tea," which was given under the principal management of Miss Pearl Bodick and Miss Rebecca Norwood, with the assistance of Mrs. A. H. Rahm, Mrs. Mann E. Valentine, Mrs. S. H. Travers, Mrs. W. M. Wade, Mrs. Gervasia Storr, Mrs. Charles Stacy, and

others, was a most successful affair, and was given in aid of the Richmond College.

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